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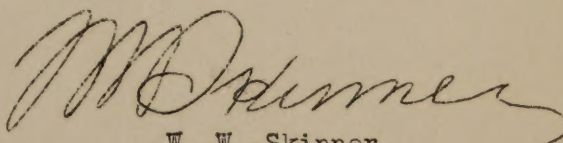
To All Supervisory Personnel:

This communication brings you a statement on the relation of agriculture to national defense and includes a copy of a memorandum from Secretary Wickard which transmits a statement by the Agricultural Commissioner of the National Defense Advisory Council, Mr. Chester C. Davis.

This memorandum is the first in a series which you will receive at frequent intervals. Others to follow will bring you facts about progress of phases of the defense programs which effect agriculture and about progress of the agricultural part in the defense programs. This series will include: (1) a brief analysis of the part of all Department of Agriculture programs in national defense with special attention to the part of our own program in the total defense effort; (2) a report on the present and probable future effects on agriculture of war in the Old World and defense program in the United States; (3) facts about the agricultural and other problems of our neighbor nations in South and Central America which will influence the Inter-American hemispheric defense program; and (4) facts about the national drive for better nutrition which is now being cooperatively prepared by this Department, the State Extension Services and the Consumer Commissioner of the National Defense Advisory Commission.

I feel sure you will want to read this most carefully in order to acquaint yourself with the Department's participation in the national defense program. Those of you who are requested to speak before meetings may use the information contained in this file on defense and agriculture in your addresses.

Sincerely yours,



W. W. Skinner,
Acting Chief.

Enclosures

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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